

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please delete the present Abstract of the Disclosure and replace it with the following amended Abstract of the Disclosure.

A holographic recording medium ~~has~~exhibiting a high recording sensitivity without execution of reduction treatment. A system records information on the holographic recording medium by using a gating light within a wavelength band causing less optical damage to the holographic recording medium. The holographic recording medium ~~comprises~~includes a single crystal of lithium niobate (LiNbO_3) or lithium tantalate (LiTaO_3) containing Mn as a dopant.